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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed articles are also enclosed.

For the Examiner's additional information, attached is a copy of the PCT International Search Report and Written Opinion issued in connection with Applicant's corresponding PCT application. Receipt date: 11/06/2006

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the

Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that

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Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C.

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